

FUNDS COMING IN TO HELP STUDENTS

Men Who Lost Everything by Fire May Yet Remain in College.

PUBLIC QUICKLY ANSWERS CALL

President Boatwright Gives List of Victims Who Were Ruined Financially by Destruction of Dormitories—Class Work to Be Resumed on Schedule.

Contributions to a fund for students of Richmond College who lost everything in the fire which early Sunday morning destroyed a large part of Ryland Hall, including the dormitories which sixty-three men lived, began to come in to President F. W. Boatwright yesterday. Cash, checks and pledges received by the head of the institution during the day amounted to between \$500 and \$600, and it is known that other contributions are on the way.

President Boatwright's Statement.

"The public is responding most generously," said Dr. Boatwright. "At this Christmas season it would seem most fitting that any deserving young man who has made sacrifices to attend college—possibly to abandon his hopes and career through the loss of books and clothes, costing in the aggregate but a few thousand dollars. Some of the students have means of their own. By no means are all destitute. Others have friends or relatives who will see them through. If we can raise as much as \$2,000 in ready money at once, and make it available in the next day or two, I do not think it will be necessary for any man to leave college for lack of clothes or text books. That amount would cover the loss to those students who probably could not afford to assume it themselves. From expressions from many friends of the institution, I believe it will be forthcoming, but under the circumstances it will be of double value if done promptly."

Students Burned Out of Home.

Following is a list of the students resident in Ryland Hall, most of whom have lost all of their college equipment, including books and clothes, while all are losers by the fire to some extent:

First Floor.

Timothy R. Pusey, Cross Roads, Md.
J. D. Kesler, Roanoke, Va.
J. W. C. Johnson, Louisville, Va.
J. L. Broudy, Norfolk, Va.
Roland Garrett, Richmond.
W. L. O'Flaherty, Detroit, Va.
C. D. Durham, Appomattox, Va.
Robert Serpell, Norfolk, Va.
E. H. Howerton, Spout Spring, Va.

Second Floor.

G. W. J. Blume, Buck Hall, Va.
F. W. Jones, Gloucester, Va.
J. T. Stone, Taylorsville, Va.
A. J. Goodman, Guinea Mills, Va.
T. N. Grymes, Meherrin, Va., R. F. D. No. 2.
J. R. Estes, Rice Depot, Va.
W. B. Miller, Alderson, W. Va.
A. R. Meredith, Netta, Va.
J. G. Brown, Newport News, Va.
Frank Gaines, Byrdville, Va.
E. L. King, Port Republic, Va.
J. R. Howell, Bacon's Castle, Va.
C. H. Crist, Nace, Va.
Aubrey F. Barnes, Barhamsville, Va.
J. B. Massie, Roanoke, Va.
E. V. Peyton, Post Oak, Va.
E. T. Turney, Sunlight, Va.
A. B. Montgomery, Richmond.
F. M. Petty, Norfolk, Va.
Rev. W. R. White, Menchville, Va.
J. E. Warinner, Jr., Richmond.

Third Floor.

L. F. Paulette, Richmond.
E. E. Sumpter, Blacksburg, Va.
E. A. Vivas, Porto Rico, Va.
A. H. Camden, Big Island, Va.
A. M. Padgett, Richmond.
Walter Beverly, Norton, Va.
H. W. Wilkins, Philadelphia, Pa.
C. L. Stillwell, Buena Vista, Va.
H. J. Parker, Natchez, Va.
J. S. Wilkinson, Hosmer, Va.
J. M. Tucker, Republican Grove, Va.
E. C. Primm, Blacksburg, Va.
A. B. Carter, Gainesville, Va.
W. B. Wiley, Eagle Rock, Va.
Arlene F. Robertson, Yancey Mills, Va.

Fourth Floor.

W. M. Hall, Rupert, Va.
T. L. Russell, Phoenix, Va.
E. G. Mintz, Wilmington, N. C.
George W. Cawthon, Appomattox, Va.
J. A. George, Washington, N. C.
J. A. Halstead, Hickory, N. C.
S. W. Shelton, Rockville, Va.
Daniel O. Bowker, Halesville, N. J.
Willing Bowers, Halesville, N. J.
M. L. Mintz, Wilmington, N. C.
O. O. Dietz, Rupert, Va.
Pierce S. Ellis, Pocomoke City, Md.
W. W. Townsend, Urbanna, Va.
J. M. Gibbs, Fayetteville, N. C.
C. M. Parrish, Peers, Va.

Eleven Sleeping Ten Deane.

Of the above list, the following men were sleeping in their rooms in Ryland Hall when the fire broke out, and the others having scattered to their homes elsewhere for the holidays: Garrett, Roland, Richmond.
J. R. Estes, Rice Depot.
A. B. Montgomery, Richmond.
P. M. Petty, Norfolk.
E. A. Vivas, Porto Rico.
W. M. Hall, Rupert, Va.
George W. Cawthon, Appomattox, Va.
J. A. George, Washington, N. C.
The last three named, W. M. Hall, George W. Cawthon and J. A. George, were caught by the flames in their rooms on the fourth floor, and escaped by an outside fire-escape in their night clothes, losing everything.

Temporary Offices.

President Boatwright is arranging to hold temporary offices to-day in Science Hall, the building of the college group nearest to Franklin street. Some

SMITH IS DEFIANT

He Makes Reply to Wilson's Latest Charge.

Newark, N. J., December 26.—James Smith, Jr., candidate for United States Senator from New Jersey, issued a statement to-night in answer to Governor-Eliot Woodrow Wilson's latest declaration that there had existed an understanding before the election that Smith would not be a candidate for the United States Senate.

The statement begins by asserting that Dr. Wilson's charges have been affected by the campaign, and that he has made "charges and insinuations which suggest a biased mind." The statement says in part: "He asserts that I am pledged to special interests. He was charged with being Wall Street's candidate. I say that neither statement is true, and Dr. Wilson should have been the last man to assert the contrary. I do not stand for free trade, free silver, or new nationalism. I stand for State rights, for a just tariff, for such conservation of our natural resources as will permit of their wise development, not their wasteful distribution; for the restoration of our merchant marine, and for the other doctrines which I recently publicly enumerated.

"Dr. Wilson says that he was assured by my spokesman before his nomination that I would not be a candidate for the senatorial office. I never made such a statement. No one was ever authorized by me to make such a statement, and no one representing me made such a statement to Dr. Wilson.

"Furthermore, here is a challenge which I submit for his acceptance. Let him name the man or men coming from me who informed him. Let there be no hiding behind the seal of confidence. If he were my spokesman I would not be so easily deceived.

Mr. Smith Denies Dr. Wilson's Charge.

That an agreement was made by him (Smith) or any one with the leader of Hudson county, pledging that delegation's vote for him in the Legislature.

MAY SURROUND REBELS

Government Has Sent Heavy Force Into the Field.

Chihuahua, Mexico, December 26.—About 2,000 government reinforcements are said to be on the march to-day pursuant to a design for surrounding the insurgents. For this purpose they have about 2,500 men, including Navarro's force. The revolutionists are supposed still to be in the neighborhood of Pedernales, and in the mountains near Matamoros. News of conflict is expected at any time. The telegraph lines still work west as far as San Antonio.

Report Is Denied.

El Paso, December 26.—Antonio Ponce, chief of police of Juarez, returned from the hills at 3 o'clock and denied a report that a battle with rebels was immediate in the outskirts of Juarez. He said there were no rebels, but a number of woodchoppers, with rumors evidently having been mistaken for insurgents.

The Federal soldiers returned to Juarez at 5 o'clock and reported that there had been no trace of the insurgents, the supposed rebels having been woodchoppers.

Several hundred citizens of El Paso who had followed the soldiers into the hills expecting to see a fight returned disappointed. It was the most exciting afternoon experienced by Juarez and El Paso in many years.

LAUNCH GOES DOWN

Three of Its Passengers Believed to Have Been Killed.

Key West, Fla., December 26.—A forty-five foot launch, with six passengers, bound for Fort Myers to Havana, Cuba, struck the north jetty near here and sank shortly before midnight, Sunday, A. J. Vincent, C. O. Goehring and Matthew Baum, passengers, were rescued in the cabin boat after being out all night. Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Bennett, of New York, and Herman Parker were last seen clinging to the mast.

The Schooner Pocahontas Left Key West in Search of the Other Members of the Party.

The party was returned to-night without finding a trace of the launch. The sea is running high and only a part of the launch is visible. It is believed Mr. and Mrs. Bennett and Herman Parker were drowned.

The Three Rescued Men Entered the Cabin Boat When the Launch Sank and Did Not Have Time to Get On Shore.

The craft finally drifted to a barren key, where they were picked up by a fisherman and brought to Key West.

ENMITY VANISHES AND PEACE REIGNS

"Will" and "Theo." Declared to be Friends Once More.

MANY LETTERS ARE EXCHANGED

Correspondence Between White House and Oyster Bay Said to Have Been in Progress Since Before November Elections—Roosevelt Will Support Taft in 1912.

Washington, December 26.—President Taft and Theodore Roosevelt have exchanged most pleasant and happy Christmas greetings with each other, and the political world, which has been trying hard to conjure up animosity between them, will be surprised to know that they have been in constant correspondence with each other for months, a correspondence most intimate in its dealings with and discussion of momentous public questions, both national and international. This is the statement to-day of a man who is known to know what he is talking about.

"These facts," he says, "disposed of a story in New York that the two men are wide apart personally and politically, and that each is already drawing lines for control of the New York delegation to the Republican national convention in 1912. One of the current reports represents William Loeb, Jr., as being compelled to sever his years of close relations with Roosevelt to take charge of the Taft interests in New York in the future. This is known to be as lacking in truth as assertions that Taft and Roosevelt are much estranged and too far apart ever to get together again.

"The nature of the correspondence between President Taft and his old friend is well known to be of a friendly, friendly and possibly far reaching, involving various questions of deep interest here and abroad."

Long Continued Correspondence.

"No statement is obtainable as to how the correspondence began, but it has probably been going on since before the November elections, when the President and Colonel Roosevelt both earnestly sought the election of the Republican candidate for Governor, Henry L. Stimson.

"That the views of Colonel Roosevelt on public questions, whether national or world-wide, would be welcomed by the President is well known to intimate friends of the two men, and that Mr. Taft, while acting always upon his own motion, would give serious consideration to the ideas of the former President, is also undisputed.

President Keen Interest.

"It is a matter of unwritten history now that when the country generally was gloating over the black eye the ex-President got in New York and elsewhere in the November elections, not a word of sympathy with these expressions came from the White House. Men unquestionably made use of them in talking with the President; they told him that it was Roosevelt, and not Taft, the country had rebuked; and that with Roosevelt a down-and-out, everybody would rally to him, and made many similar assertions. The President had to listen, for big men, personal friends, said these and similar things to him. Not once, it is known, did they find even the Taft smile approving what they said.

Friends of Roosevelt who knew of this told him he felt kindly toward the occupant of the White House. Now there is every appearance that they will work together in the future.

Roosevelt Will Support Taft.

"Men well informed, including William Loeb, Jr., are confident that Roosevelt will work in New York for a Taft delegation in 1912, and this certain feeling that the renomination of Mr. Taft will be accomplished with the direct aid of Oyster Bay. It is said, goes far toward reconciling the elements that have been wide apart. Roosevelt is generally believed to be for Mr. Taft's carrying the party flag in 1912, and predictions are freely made that before many months have gone by he will make outspoken utterance in this regard."

President Taft Worked in the Executive Offices Two or Three Hours to-day.

It was with his family until about 10 o'clock, when he went to the executive offices and got down to business. Reading and stationing of letters took most of his time. Secretary Meyer and Secretary Nagel dropped in on him a few minutes and wished him the best of the season. They did not remain long and were the only callers. When the President had disposed of his correspondence he returned to the White House. This afternoon he took a horseback ride to enjoy the outdoors.

EDISON'S ONE DAY OFF

Denies Himself to Callers and Sleeps Christmas Day.

New York, December 26.—Thomas A. Edison said himself a Christmas present yesterday. It was a good day off, went home Saturday before the holidays, and he was not to callers. He went to bed early, and did not get up until late.

These Holidays Give a Man a Chance for a Little Rest," Said He Yesterday.

"and I enjoyed mine."

BAUM A SUICIDE

He Was Originator of "Black Mammy" Monument Idea.

Galveston, Tex., December 26.—Arthur J. Baum, a well known cotton broker, who inaugurated the movement to erect a monument to a "Black Mammy," committed suicide at a hotel here to-day. He resided in Galveston for about seven years and was widely known in cotton circles. He leaves his widow and one daughter.

ARCH HOSSEY FLIES TWO MILES INTO AIR, MAKING NEW RECORD

Wright Aviator Sets Mark for Altitude at 11,474 Feet.

PERFORMS FEAT IN FACE OF GALE

Goes Higher by Nearly 1,000 Feet Than Legagneux Made at Pau, France—Comes to Earth in Series of Dazzling Spiral Curves.

Aviation Field, Los Angeles, Cal., December 26.—Seventy-five thousand people saw Arch Hossey, of the Wright team of aviators, break the world's record for altitude here to-day. He soared more than two miles up in the sky, his barograph registering 11,474 feet, or almost 1,000 feet above the altitude of 10,499 feet, recently attained by Legagneux at Pau, France.

Hossey accomplished his feat in a forty-mile gale. He sailed into the sky at 1 o'clock. At 2:15 his barograph showed the greatest height while he soared over Venice, a sea-level resort more than twenty miles from the aviation field. Coming down, he made a series of thrilling spiral glides, while thousands of feet in the air, coming lightly to earth.

The crowd was on its feet cheering, and Hossey was lifted from his biplane by fellow aviators, who paraded him up and down before the grandstand, bearing the intrepid flyer upon their shoulders.

The gale which Hossey and his brethren of the Wright camp, Parmelee and Brookings, braved successfully wrecked Latham's beautiful Antoinette machine completely. The Frenchman was among the aviators who answered the starting gun at 1 o'clock. For two hours and fifteen minutes he fought the wind, which blew directly off the ocean, six miles from the aviation field. Then an adverse current slipped his aeroplane downward, hurled it into a fence under the brow of a hill, and he fell from the sky to a gully. The Frenchman was unhurt.

Parmelee, driver of the "Baby" Wright, also dared the wind and attained an altitude of 5,825 feet. He electrified the crowd by a series of whirling dips, and then Walter Brookings, originator of the spiral glide, went up. At this time the wind had attained a velocity of forty miles an hour, but the Wright man went through spectacular performances apparently with as much ease as on the calmest day.

Telegraph certifications of the barograph reading of Hossey's record flight were sent to Clifford B. Harmon and J. C. Duffy, the president and secretary of the National Federation of Aero Clubs of America.

While the wreck of his Antoinette monoplane was carried back to the hangar to-night, Latham talked of the fall which might have caused his death.

"When the gale started it held my machine almost motionless on every westerly reach. Then I decided to come down and found I could not. There was nothing for me to do but fly about until a lull would permit me to descend. After I had waited for the lull, and then Walter Brookings failed to act properly, I then a gust struck me and I lost control."

"The monoplane dashed down under the hill and struck a fence. I tumbled out, but was not hurt."

Samuel Perkins gave an exhibition to-day with a man-carrying kite. He suspended the kite on the end of a pole, and, drawing himself up with a tackle, observed the aeroplane manoeuvres from a height of about 250 feet for two and a half hours.

Annuitant for Mrs. Johnston.

Davison, N. J., December 26.—The Wright Company will settle an annuity of approximately \$1,000 upon the widow and children of Ralph Johnston, the aviator killed in a Wright biplane at Denver, according to a statement made by P. H. Russell, manager of the company to-night. The amount will be placed with an insurance company in New York.

Aviator Comes to Grief.

New York, December 26.—Frank Morak, a Belgian truck bicycle rider, convinced that the science of aviation consisted merely in the turning of a crank and plenty of nerve, came to grief to-day when he essayed an initial flight over the Hudson River from Guttenberg, N. J.

Morak started the engines of his aeroplane, and after swinging in an uncertain fashion around the old Guttenberg race track, headed away toward Manhattan Island. His motor, which had been missing, went wrong and Morak found himself helplessly heading for the ground. In his downward course the aeroplane crashed against a house, and machine and aviator fell. Morak was picked up by the ground crew and taken to the hospital, where he was treated for cuts and bruises. His aeroplane was wrecked.

Four Machines in Air.

New Orleans, La., December 26.—With Roland Garros high above the field trying for altitude, and Molsant, Simon and Hamilton chasing each other about the race course at the City Park aviation field, four aeroplanes were in the air at once this afternoon. Garros, in a biplane, was making a record of 5,495 feet up, was floating like a huge bird, while in the lower altitude Molsant, and Hamilton, in his biplane, were racing around the course playing and sporting with death-defying turns and dips. When Simon started aloft in this event, Molsant was making a long glide from several hundred feet up in time to dip, swing gracefully under the second Garros, and then rose suddenly to avoid the taut hangar directly in his path. It was one of the most daring feats, say the aviators, ever performed in an aeroplane.



ARCH HOSSEY.

MURDER CHARGE AGAINST HINES DOWN BY LYNCHERS

Charles Conway, Whose Skull Taken From County Jail by He Fractured, Dies After Operation. Mob of Masked Men.

PRISONER NOW IN CITY JAIL DEPUTY'S HANDS HELD UP

Druggist Silent, but Will Plead That He Killed Man in Self-Defense. Knew That Men Meant Business When They Demanded Prisoner.

Charles Conway, of 1417 Bryan Street, who was attacked Saturday night by O. T. Hines, a druggist, at Redd and Stuart Streets, died yesterday afternoon at the City Home from the effects of a fractured skull and other injuries alleged to have been inflicted by Hines. Since the encounter Conway had been unconscious, and up to the time of his death was unable to make a statement. Hines was removed to the City Jail, and further than to say that he was sorry for the man he killed, would tell nothing of the circumstances. Immediately after the death of Conway a warrant was issued charging Hines with murder.

Blood Clot on Brain.

When brought to the City Home Sunday examination showed that Conway was in a very dangerous condition. He was immediately placed on the operating table, and the operation, performed by Dr. Tume, of the Ambulance Corps, and Dr. Stuart MacLean, disclosed a big fracture and a large blood clot on the brain. He died at 5:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Because Hines refused to say anything about the affair, there are few details to be got at this time. Several persons called at the City Home yesterday, and one of them said that he was an eye-witness. He said that Conway was thrown from the store and followed out on the street by Hines, who knocked him down with a door bar. After he fell to the sidewalk Hines stood over him and dealt him another severe blow. This last blow is the one it is supposed to have caused his death.

To Plead Self-Defense.

Conway's sister went to the City Home yesterday afternoon shortly before he died. She said he was a widower and had several small children. She was told that he probably would not live. She promised to take care of the children.

Hines's defense will be that Conway was drinking and had been disorderly in his store several times during Saturday afternoon. When he came in for the last time it was about midnight, and being more intoxicated and disorderly than before, it was necessary for the druggist to put him out and knock him down.

GENERAL DAVIS DIES

He Was Veteran of Mexican and Civil Wars.

Doylstown, Pa., December 26.—General W. W. Davis, a veteran of the Mexican and Civil Wars, died at his home here to-night, aged ninety years. On December 5, 1816, he enlisted in the First Massachusetts Infantry and fought in the Mexican War. In 1847 he was made an adjutant, and in 1848 he was mustered out. In 1861 General Davis organized the Fourteenth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, and also Duryea's Battery. In 1862 he was promoted to be brigadier-general of United States volunteers for meritorious service.

TO CLEAR THE VOICE

Use Brown's Bronchial Troches.

RESENTS REQUEST TO STOP DRINKING

Young Man Slays His Stepmother in Cold Blood.

FRIENDS ENGAGE IN FATAL FIGHT

Three Smiths Use Knives on Each Other, and One Is Carved to Death—Two Tragedies Mark Holiday Season in North Carolina.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Goldsboro, N. C., December 26.—Wayne county was the scene of two bloody tragedies on Christmas Eve, with the result that two people are dead and another is seriously injured. The first crime was committed at the store of J. W. Worrell, a few miles from this city, when Simpson Smith, George Smith and Berger Smith engaged in a bloody fight during which Berger Smith was carved to death with a knife. No hearing has been held, and it is not known whether Simpson or George Smith did the killing. All three had been drinking, and had gathered at Worrell's store to celebrate Christmas. On a slight provocation the three Smiths became involved in the argument which resulted in the death of one.

Sheriff Edwards, of this city, had been at the scene of the Smith murder but a few minutes when a messenger arrived and reported another tragedy a few miles down the road. When Sheriff Edwards reached the scene of the second killing he found the dead body of Mrs. Johnnie Mooring, who had been shot down in cold blood by her nephew, Herbert Mooring. Young Mooring had come home intoxicated, and when his stepmother asked him not to drink any more whiskey he went to another room in the house, and securing a shotgun, came back and shot her down without a word.

Boy Uses Shotgun.

Mrs. Mooring's little son was a witness of the murder of his mother, and showed wonderful courage. As soon as Mooring had shot his stepmother he ran out the back way, closely followed by the little son, who had found another shotgun and proceeded to fire at the fleeing form of the murderer of his mother. The first shot did not hit the man, but as he ran around the house young Mooring loaded his gun off at the front gate, and shot him through the right arm and otherwise wounded him, so as to make it impossible for him to escape. A few minutes later the sheriff arrived and arrested Mooring, bringing him to Goldsboro and placing him in jail to await a hearing next Tuesday.

Simpson and George Smith Gave Bond this morning for \$10,000 for their appearance Tuesday, when their case will also be given a hearing.

KILLED BY HIS SON

John R. Owen Slain by Accidental Discharge of Gun.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Emporia, Va., December 26.—John R. Owen, one of the best known farmers in Greeneville county, was shot and instantly killed by his son, Charley Owen, early this morning at their home, ten miles west of Emporia.

While handling a shotgun preparing to go out for a day's sport in the field, young Owen broke his gun in order to see if it was in good working order. As he snapped it back into position one of the shells, which was projected out of the barrel, exploded, the charge entering the abdomen of the father. The wound was fatal, and he died before the fire of the fatal shot. He pitched forward, falling into the arms of Thomas Owen, another son, who was standing nearby. He lived only a few minutes.

Mr. Owen was fifty-eight years of age, and is survived by his wife, Mrs. Robert Chaplin, a daughter, Charley, Thomas, Lucy, Grace, Jennie, William and Stanley Owen.

The remains will be interred near the family residence to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

DECAPITATES HIS VICTIM

Saws Away for Ten Minutes Before Completing Job.

Bluefield, W. Va., December 26.—Sawing away continuously for ten minutes, Hamilton Cook almost completely severed the neck of Frank Bennett from his body yesterday at the home of the latter at Lexington, fifty miles from here. Cook, who was a boarder at Bennett's home, found his victim in a drunken stupor in bed.

Bennett's twelve-year-old son, who witnessed the operation, roused some neighbors, who rushed to the house, only to find that Cook had fled. He was captured in the mountains nearby, after being wounded in the arm, and was brought to the Meadowell jail. Cook is said to have been intoxicated. The two men had quarreled before over domestic trouble.

KILLS HIMSELF AT FESTIVAL

Man Commits Suicide While Wife and Daughter Entertain Guests.

Yosemite, Cal., December 26.—While his wife and daughter were entertaining guests from San Francisco at a house party, J. B. Cook committed suicide to-day in an upper room of the Sentinel Hotel, of which he was proprietor.

He left no communication, and no cause is known beyond despondency because of reported business reverses.

KILLED BY HER CALLER

Colored Man Chases Gun He Was Examining Accidentally Exploded.

Rockville, Md., December 26.—Benny Crockett, colored, fifteen years old, was shot and instantly killed last night by Oscar Davis, colored, twenty-one